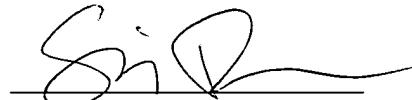


**II. Conclusion**

Applicant submits that the above amendments are compliant with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121 or 1.4. Further, the Applicant submits that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and notice to that effect is requested. Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,



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